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1. On 22-25 November 1950, a group of twenty-seven persons was charged with anti-state activity by the state court in Praha-Pankrac. 50X1-HUM the defendents follows:

a. Stanislav RACHAC, 50X1-HUM

b. Oldrich KRIZ,

c. Bozena KRIZOVA

d. Ing. (fnu) JANOUR

e. Ing. C. Miroslav HOSTALEK

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Some of the prisoners were allowed to have their own lawyers while others were assigned lawyers by the court. Nothing is known of their treatment while in custody as no visitors were allowed to see them.

Dr. KRUC presided over the court proceedings; assessors were an army expert, SNB men, and two men from the People's Court. The court sessions were largely open to the public and each prisoner was permitted to have two family members attend, though no communication with the prisoners was allowed.

In addition to the sentences listed under paragraph 1 above, all the prisoners were sentenced to monetary fines ranging from 10,000 to 200,000 Czech crowns and, in most cases, to confiscation of all their property.

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